



Superior Court of California

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VENTURA SUPERIOR COURT SELECTS NEW COMMISSIONER

The judges of the Ventura Superior Court have announced the selection of Mark S. Borrell as the court's newest commissioner. He fills the vacancy created by the departure of former Superior Court Commissioner Ruben De La Torre. Commissioner Borrell is scheduled to take the bench on May 9 in Courtroom 10.

Commissioner Borrell began his legal career in 1986 and is presently an attorney/shareholder in the firm of Benton, Orr, Duval & Buckingham. Previously, he was an attorney/partner in Borrell & Borrell and its predecessor firms. His areas of practice include civil litigation, insurance defense, wrongful death, product liability, real estate and criminal defense. He also has experience as a court appointed and privately retained arbitrator, a discovery referee, a settlement officer, and a judge *pro tem*.

Commissioner Borrell earned his bachelor of science degree from the University of Colorado and his juris doctorate degree from McGeorge School of Law. He is a past president of the Ventura County Trial Lawyers Association and the Ventura County Criminal Defense Bar Association.

Superior Court Commissioners hear matters including, but not limited to, Family Law, Juvenile Delinquency and Dependency, Child Support Services, Domestic Violence, Civil Harassment, Traffic, Criminal and Small Claims. They are required to have been admitted to practice before the Supreme Court of California for at least ten years and serve at the pleasure of a majority of the court judges.

Commissioners may be assigned to any court location in the county, which include Ventura, Simi Valley and Oxnard.

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